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The location of the headquarters of the Hungarian Air Force is in the Defense Ministry Building (Honvédelmi Minisztérium). The Defense Ministry Building covers the square located at Markó, Falk Miksa, Szemere, and Honvéd streets in the fifth district of Budapest.

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In case of war the Hungarian Air Force will operate similarly to the Soviet Air Force. In such a case each Hungarian Army corps would have one air division besides other specialized divisions (such as armored, artillery, etc). Each Hungarian Army division would have an air (fighter and reconnaissance) regiment under its jurisdiction. Each Hungarian Army regiment would have one air company. Each army battalion would have one reconnaissance air platoon. The bomber and transport units would probably be organized directly under the Army Corps Headquarters.

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the Hungarian AAA units are equipped with Soviet 37 mm M 1939, and 85 mm M 1939 antiaircraft guns. This is based on the fact that in July or August 1951 about five of the Soviet 37 mm 1939 and about five of the Soviet 85 mm 1939 and two of the 76/55 naval gun type in the courtyard of the AAA Barracks (Gabor Aron Legvedelmi Tucszersegi Laktanya), located on Hungaria Street in Budapest

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These guns were utilized by the troops for training, but were not used for firing.

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the Hungarian AAA units are organized like the Soviet units, as follows: The AAA regiment (which is the largest unit) is composed of four ~~sections~~ (osztaly) each of which is composed of four batteries (veteg). Each battery is composed of two platoons (in time of war, three platoons). Each platoon is composed of two "half-platoons" (felosztas). In time of peace there are four AAA pieces in a battery and in time of war there are six pieces in a battery. One "half-platoon" is composed of 30 enlisted men in time of war (18 in peace) and one officer. Each Army division has assigned to it one AAA section (battalion). Each Army regiment has one AAA battery. Each Army battalion has one AAA platoon.

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- A. In time of peace, the control center for the whole country is located in the Air Force Headquarters in the Ministry of Defense. In time of war such control centers would be located at the respective Armies' headquarters, and would cover the area of responsibility of the respective Armies, while the Supreme Command would be directly in charge of the air safety for the rest of the country.

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The border guards receive some aircraft recognition training. The silhouettes of all aircraft are posted on bulletin boards. The guards have to copy these silhouettes in their note books and study them. They are required to know the types of aircraft and the national insignia of aircraft of countries bordering Hungary.

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The border guards have to note any aircraft flying in the border area, giving details such as time, height, distance, direction, nationality, and type of aircraft, if possible. In case the nationality was not recognized, the report has to state that fact. In case of

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Yugoslav aircraft, the headquarters have to be notified immediately by radio or telephone. Observation of Soviet or Hungarian aircraft has to be reported only in the routine report at the end of the duty tour.

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The Air Defense Headquarters is [redacted] located in the Defense Ministry in Budapest.

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Hungarian officers are being trained in radar techniques, either in the USSR or at such Soviet installations in Hungary as Szombathely and/or Veszprem.

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The higher ranking Hungarian officers receive technical training in the USSR (six months to three year courses). These Hungarian officers, upon return to Hungary, act as instructors for other Hungarian personnel.

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There are seven military areas in Hungary. Within the principal city of each area is the headquarters of one Hungarian Army Corps. These cities are:

Budapest

and

Szekesfehervar

Szombathely

Pecs

Szeged

Debrecen

Miskolc

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The Soviet Army Headquarters are located in the Defense Ministry Building in Budapest. Other Headquarters of the Soviet Army in Hungary are located in Szombathely, Veszprem, Pecs, Szeged.

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In all Hungarian military schools, two hours each day are reserved for political training. Besides this there is a political seminar every evening except Saturdays and Sundays. Every day, out of the two hours scheduled for political training, half an hour is reserved for oral examinations. These examinations are graded. Written tests are given about once a week,

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in conjunction with other (non-political) subjects. The following political subjects are being taught in all Hungarian military schools:

- (a) The Development of the Social Orders.
- (b) The Theory of Darwinism.
- (c) The History of the Bolshevik Party.
- (d) Marx, Lenin, Stalin.
- (e) The Revolutionary Spirit.
- (f) The Great October Socialist Revolution.
- (g) The Hungarian 1919 Revolution.
- (h) The Glorious Heroic Deeds of the Soviet Army.
- (i) The Biographies of the Military Leaders.
- (j) The Biographies of Lenin, Stalin, Rakosi, Geroe, and Farkas.
- (k) The Communist Party as the Vanguard.
- (l) The Party's peasant policy in connection with raising the living standards of the peasants.
- (m) The policies of the inciters to an imperialistic war, and their real ambitions concerning World Hegemony.
- (n) The Soviet Union as the Guardian of World peace.

At the Petoefi Political Academy, in Budapest, political training is given five days a week. The sixth day is reserved for military training.

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There is a feeling of distrust among individuals in Hungary; therefore nobody dares make any statements about Communist leaders. Even close friends and relatives are often distrusted. Approximately 80 per cent of the population hates the Communists. None of the Communist leaders is popular with the Hungarians. In case the Soviet troops should withdraw from Hungary, there would be a revolt against the Communist Regime.

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